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~~SECRET SPOKE~~ SECTION ONE OF TWO ~~ISHTAR~~ (IN PARAGRAPHS SO MARKED)  
F471-224-73 CURRENT SIGINT OVERVIEW (CSG) FOR 20 MAY 73 1. NORTH VIETNAM ON 16  
MAY, AN UNIDENTIFIED BATTALION OF THE 275TH SAM REGIMENT, LOCATED WEST OF  
HA NOI, WHICH HAD BEEN EXPERIENCING PROBLEMS WITH THEIR RADAR EQUIPMENT,  
REVEALED THAT THE REGI- MENTAL TECHNICAL/MISSILE SUPPORT FACILITY WAS NOW  
LOCATED AT TRUNG HA (21-10N 105-36E). THIS SUPPORT FACILITY OF THE 275TH SAM  
REGIMENT WAS LAST LOCATED AT 21-01N 105-45E ON 28 DEC 72. (DIRNSA 2/00/8014-73  
(VCK) DTG, 191331Z MAY 73) 2. NORTH VIETNAM/SOUTH VIETNAM THE QUANG TRI  
DEPARTMENT OF POSTS, TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND BROADCASTING (PTB) ADVISED THE  
GENERAL DIRECTORATE OF OF PTB IN HANOI ON 18 MAY THAT QUANG TRI COMMUNICATIONS  
WERE BLOCKED. THE LANDLINE AND MICROWAVE (RVG950) COMMUNICATIONS FROM VINH LINH  
TO HANOI CENTRAL WERE ALMOST COMPLETELY PARA- LYZED. QUANG TRI REQUESTED AN  
IMMEDIATE RESOLUTION OF THE PROBLEM OR ELSE IT WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO GUARANTEE  
AN UNSPEC- IFIED IMPORTANT FUTURE MISSION. (DIRNSA 3/00/15054-73 DTG,  
182000Z MAY 73) 3. SOUTH VIETNAM A. ON 14 MAY, THE 250TH AAA REGIMENT (LOCATED  
NEAR YD 1674, 16-55N 107-57E) INFORMED ITS SUBORDINATE UNITS THAT THEY WERE NOT  
FOLLOWING COMBAT DIRECTIVES ISSUED BY THE 377TH AIR DEFENSE DIVISION (LOCATED  
NEAR KHE SAIH). THE FIRING PLAN FOR STRIKING DRONES AND MANNED RECONNAISSANCE  
AIRCRAFT WAS REVEALED AND UNITS WERE ORDERED NOT TO FIRE UNLESS THE TARGET WAS  
WITHIN THE FOLLOWING PARAMETERS (REPORTED IN METERS), DRONES MANNED TYIE WEAPON  
ALT INTERNAL RANGE ALT INTERVAL RANGE UNKNOWN 2500 XXX XXXX 3500 XXX XXXX  
UNKNOWN XXYX 500 4000 2500 500 5000 POSS 23MM 2000 400 3500 2000 400 3500  
(DIRNSA 2/00/8007-73 (VCK) DTG, 182309Z MAY 73) B. ON 18 MAY, THE HQ., NVA  
174TH REGIMENT, VC 5TH DIVI- SION WAS LOCATED IN THE CAMBODIAN/SOUTH VIETNAM  
BORDER AREA AT WT 430100, WHICH CONFIRMS A TENOUS 17 MAY FIX AT WT 413131. THIS  
REPRESENTS A MOVE OF APPROXIMATELY 133 KM FROM THE UNIT'S LAST FIRM LOCATION AT  
XS 449315 ON 06 JANUARY. (USF-794 DAILY VC SIGINT LOCATION REPORT NR 137-7 DTG,  
181300Z MAY 73) ~~(ISHTAR)~~ 4. LAOS ON 18 MAY, COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN  
PERSONALITIES ASSOCIATED WITH THE 1ST BATTALION AND COMPANY 10/3RD BATTALION OF  
THE NVA 174TH REGIMENT REVEALED THAT TWO MEMBERS OF A PRO-GOVERNMENT  
RECONNAISSANCE TEAM WERE CAPTURED BY ELEMENTS OF HQ., 5TH BAT- TALION, NVA  
148TH REGIMENT ON 16 MAY NEAR PHU KENG (TG 994553). IT WAS ALSO LEARNED THAT  
THE AMERICAN AND SIX ME0 WERE CAP- TURED ALIVE IN THE AREA OF NAM PIT (EITHER  
TG 882473 OR TG 825433) AFTER THE \$AIRCRAFT FELL\$. (REF CSO FOR 16 MAY, NORTH  
VIETNAM ITEM) (USM-7) 1ACREP NR. 841-73 DTG, 191115Z MAY 73 AND (C)  
24/490-73 (US (C) DTG, 191435Z MAY 73) 5. CAMBODIA A. ON 19 MAY, THE HQ.,  
272ND VC REGIMENT WAS LOCATED IN PREY VENG PROVINCE AT WT 588447. THIS TENDS TO  
INDICATE THAT THE 15 MAY LOCATION AT WT 467490 MAY HAVE BEEN INVALID AS THE  
CURRENT LOCATION PLACES THE UNIT BACK IN THE SAME GENERAL AREA OF ITS 11/12 MAY  
LOCATIONS. (USF-794 2/1631-73 VCJ DTG, 191355Z MAY 73) ~~(ISHTAR)~~ 700 #2445  
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